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Specification, including claims and abstract (34 pages);

Drawings: 12 figures (10 sheets);

Declaration from prior application;

Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet;

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## **Fees**

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				Rate	Fee	Rate	Fee
Basic Fee					\$ 385.00		\$ 770.00
Total Claims	24	( - 20)		\$ 9	\$	\$ 18	\$ 72.00
Indep. Claims	1	( - 3)		\$ 43	\$	\$ 86	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim(s):				\$145	\$	\$290	\$
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## **Continuing Application**

Continuation of 09/540,023, filed 3/31/00, now pending

## **Priority Claims**

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